

This is only part of the **ABUSE**

Four year old girl rescued by police and MP

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HORRIFIC: The child shows the marks of abuse on her body

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A FOUR-YEAR-OLD girl with telling signs of abuse all over her body and face was taken away from her babysitter's home in Taman Mega, Kepong yesterday by a raiding party that included police officers and Segambut MP Lim Lip Eng.

Authorities decided to move in at 11am after Lim received an email from a member of the public concerning the abuse.

The email contained images of the injuries sustained by the girl, purportedly at the hands of her own mother.

It is learnt that the mother would leave her with the babysitter for days on end. She would drop by and pick her up occasionally.

The email said a resident had noticed the extensive bruising and swelling on the girl's arms, face and torso and had brought

this up with some of the other residents.

When asked about her injuries, the girl, after much coaxing, replied that her mother had told her not to say anything to anyone or she would have to face the consequences.

Police officers noted multiple abrasions on her right cheek and her face. A gash was seen under her right arm. But she still managed a smile when the officers took her in.

Not much is known of the parents, except that they have another daughter aged eight.

She, however, did not have any visible signs of abuse.

Kuala Lumpur Crime Investigation Department chief SAC II Datuk Ku Chin Wah said the case is being investigated under the Child Act 2001.

"We have recorded the mother's statement," he said.

